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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, FRESNO DIVISION**
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11 METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE
COMPANY, a New York corporation,

12 Plaintiff,

13 vs.

14 ACDF, LLC, a California limited liability
15 company, et al.,

16 Defendants.

Lead Case No. 1:24-cv-01261-KES-SAB

Consolidated with Case Nos:
1:24-cv-01226; 1:24-cv-01230; 1:24-cv-
01231; 1:24-cv-01232; 1:24-cv-01233; 1:24-
cv-01235; and 1:24-cv-01241

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF
MANNING ESTATE CROP PROCEEDS**

[No Hearing Required per Receivership Order,
Doc. No. 45, Paragraph 50]

- 17 ☐ Affects All Cases
18 ☐ Affects Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. v.
19 ACDF, LLC, et al., 1:24-cv-01261
20 ☐ Affects Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. v.
21 FNF Farms, LLC, et al., 1:24-cv-01226
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23 & A Farms, LLC, et al., 1:24-cv-01230
24 ☐ Affects Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. v.
25 Maricopa Orchards, LLC, et al., 1:24-
26 cv-01231
27 ☐ Affects Brighthouse Life Ins. Co. v.
28 Kamm South, LLC, et al., 1:24-cv-
01232
☒ Affects Brighthouse Life Ins. Co. v.
Manning Avenue Pistachios, LLC, et
al., 1:24-cv-01233
☐ Affects Brighthouse Life Ins. Co. v.
ACDF, LLC, et al., 1:24-cv-01235

☐ Affects MetLife Real Estate Lending,
LLC v. Panoche Pistachios, LLC, et
al., 1:24-cv-01241

The Court having heard and considered the Motion (the “Motion”) for entry of an order approving the disbursement of proceeds arising from crops grown in 2023 and 2024 in the above-the above-captioned Receivership Case, *Brighthouse Life Ins. Co. v. Manning Avenue Pistachios, LLC, et al.*, 1:24-cv-01233 (the “Manning Estate”), Doc. No. 165, filed by Philip Christensen, as Receiver (the “Receiver”) on September 18, 2025; there being good cause; it is hereby

ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted.
2. The Receiver is authorized to disburse the crop proceeds of the Manning Estate of up to 639,265.26 as set forth in the Motion.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated October __, 2025

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this case. My business address is: **Saul Ewing 1888 Century Park East, Suite 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90067.**

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

<u>October 1, 2025</u>	<u>Hannah Richmond</u>	<u>/s/ Hannah Richmond</u>
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